



WHAT A FUNNY PUSSY CAT, say Martin and Joey Thorton of Johnstown, as they inspect one of the exhibits at the summer art display at the Hetzel Union Building.

First Phone in 1885

Phone System Grows To 5000 in 75 Years

The University was 30 years old and had an enrollment of 125 students when the first telephone came to the campus in 1885.

During the 74 years since then, the invention and the institution have done a lot of growing up together.

When the new UNiversity dial central office is placed in operation Aug. 16, some 5000 telephones will be serving University customers, and campus enrollment will exceed 15,000 students.

Early records show that only 1500 students were attending Penn State in 1910, and there were less than 50 telephones. By 1926, shortly after the Bell Telephone Company of Pennsylvania purchased the telephone system serving the University, the number of telephones had increased to 150 and the institution's enrollment was almost 4000.

The Bell Company needed two switchboards to serve Penn State in 1938, one to serve the University's 300 administration telephones, and the other board for some 300 student telephones. Enrollment here during 1938 was more than 6400 students.

The number of telephones serving the institution's administrative personnel and the students tripled, while campus enrollment almost doubled, between 1938 and 1950.

Some 2600 student and 2400 administration telephones will be serving the University when Bell's new UNiversity dial office goes to school on Sunday, Aug. 16.

Starting at that time, it will be possible for off-campus telephone users to dial calls direct to University telephones by dialing the first two letters of the new central office name UNiversity and the five figures of the desired number.

At the same time, on-campus calls, from one UNiversity number to another, will be completed by dialing only the five figures of the new number.

Athletic Manager Named Assistant to Controller

Edward M. Czekaj, business manager of athletics, has been named assistant to the controller with headquarters in the College of Physical Education and Athletics.

Carl R. Barnes, controller, explains that in this position Czekaj will represent the controller as related to the financial affairs of the College of Physical Education and Athletics and will be responsible for carrying out approved policies.

Associate Dean To Start Duties On August 17

Leroy F. Austin, dean of students at Pratt Institute, Brooklyn, N.Y., for the past three years, has been appointed associate dean of men at the University.

He will begin his duties on August 17, succeeding Dr. Harold W. Perkins who resigned to accept the appointment as administrative head of the Wyoming Center of the University.

Austin is a graduate of the University of Tulsa, where he received his bachelor of science degree in business administration. His master's degree in business administration was conferred by the University of Michigan and he is now completing work on his doctor of education degree at Teachers College, Columbia University.

Prior to his appointment at Pratt Institute, he was director of student personnel at Quinnipiac College, Hamden, Conn., for three years; assistant director of recreation for City College of New York; and director of residence at the University of Tulsa.

Magazine Praises Rayback's Book

The book, "A History of American Labor," by Joseph G. Rayback, professor of American history and head of the department of labor education, is one of four labor studies recommended in the current edition of the Saturday Review by Harry J. Carman, former dean of Columbia College.

Carman, who served for five years as a member of the New York State Board of Mediation, says that Rayback, like the authors of single-volume accounts of the history of American labor, retells the ground that has been cultivated previously.

"Factually, this book contains little in the way of additional information about American labor," he continues, explaining that Rayback's contribution is rather in the manner in which he has handled his factual information.

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